

NEW YORK CITY IS DELUGED WITH POISONOUS LIQUOR

It Has Caused Eleven Known Deaths During the Holidays—Bellevue Hospital Alone Has Received 49 Patients Since Christmas Eve—Bootleggers, in Collusion With Warehouse Employees, Have Removed Thousands of Gallons of Non-Poisonous Alcohol From Warehouses—Efforts Are Being Made to Make "White Light" District Bone Dry on New Year's Eve.

New York, Dec. 30.—The worst is yet to come in the view of New York City officials still dealing with the dead and injured laid low by wood alcohol in Christmas drinking bouts.

The police were still seeking the source of the poisonous liquor with which the city has been deluged during the holidays, causing eleven known deaths and probably a number of others which have not received official notice because the victims died without medical attendance. The latest victim was a man who tumbled into the East river.

Bellevue hospital alone has received 49 patients since Christmas eve, and private hospitals have had their quota.

State Prohibition Director Jay said today that bootleggers, working in collusion with warehouse employees, had removed thousands of gallons of alcohol for local distribution. This alcohol, however, is not of the poisonous variety.

A forgery scheme which Mr. Day disclosed yesterday, was responsible for the

Elevated Trains in New Floods in China

Collision in New York Followed by Floods in China

Two Persons Were Killed, 15 Injured at 42nd Street and Ninth Avenue.

New York, Dec. 30.—Two persons were killed and fifteen others were injured to-night in a rear-end collision at the Forty-second street station of the Ninth avenue elevated railroad.

The accident occurred about 7 o'clock. Passengers were boarding a southbound train when another traveling in the same direction crashed into it. The dead and injured were caught in the rear car of the stationary train and were pinned in the wreckage, while police and firemen had to chop away before they could be released.

Anthony Gualrilla, motorman of the moving train, who was among the seriously injured, was arrested pending an investigation.

DAUGHERTY RELEASES THE RELEASE OF DEBS

Washington, Dec. 30.—Eugene V. Debs, the socialist leader, was granted his freedom from Atlanta Federal penitentiary on Christmas by President Harding's order as "an act of grace," his violation of the war laws remain unforgotten by the government.

This was disclosed tonight by Attorney General Daugherty, who made public the text of his recommendations to the president in the Debs case.

"It will be observed," Mr. Daugherty said, "that pardon was not granted Debs but that his sentence was commuted. The action of the president in nowise condones the offense and the release was solely an act of grace. The gratitude of Debs should be measured by his conduct in the future."

The administration's theory of action in the Debs case, according to Mr. Daugherty, is to be considered as the government policy in relation to others imprisoned for violation of the war laws, of which class of offenders "probably no better case could be selected," he declared, than that of Debs.

"Regarding this so-called 'political prisoners' as they are termed by those who are demanding their release," Mr. Daugherty said, "there is no real reason why they should be treated any differently than any other person who violates the law aside from the fact that many of them, as well as their friends and associates on the outside, actually believe, and are sincere in their belief, that they have done no wrong and were strictly within their constitutional rights in their public utterances which have been found to be in violation of the espionage act."

In reaching his decision regarding Debs

BRIEF TELEGRAMS

During the four years of soviet administration 11 trillions in paper rubles have been printed and issued.

Two men charged with bombing the American consulate in Lisbon were acquitted.

Commercial Cable Co. announces there is a delay via San Francisco to Philippines, China and Japan is cancelled.

Dr. Walter Rathenau, former German minister of reconstruction, arrived in Paris from Berlin.

The Teachers' association of New Jersey adopted a resolution condemning high school fraternities.

Ellen Terry has asked permission to decline the proffered honor of "dame commander of the British empire."

The Church of St. John the Evangelist, New Britain, was partially destroyed by fire of an undetermined origin yesterday.

Official figures made public at Belfast show that during the year 1921, including 11 policemen, were killed and 540 wounded in riots in Belfast.

The annual three days' meeting of the Geological Society of America at Amherst, Mass., came to a close late yesterday afternoon. Ann Arbor, Mich., was selected for the meeting in 1922.

McGill University, Montreal, Que., announced yesterday it had received a \$100,000 gift from the same time ago by the Rockefeller Foundation.

There is delay to Belgium, Germany and Italy owing to interruption of wires abroad by gales, the Commercial Cable Co. announces.

Schooner Percy R. Fyne II, with a cargo of crosses for New York, took fire at the municipal docks at Jacksonville, Fla.

New currency to the amount of 4,500,000 marks was placed in circulation in Germany during the third week of December.

Gilbert R. Finney of Brockton, Mass., a stock manufacturer, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities were set at \$45,358; assets at \$19,290.

The body of Rear Admiral Charles H. Davis, U. S. N., retired, was laid to rest with full naval honors in Mount Auburn cemetery, Cambridge, Mass., yesterday.

Prohibition enforcement agents cannot violate automobile laws while pursuing liquor laden cars, Judge Duff held in Boston municipal court.

Bank closings in the New Haven clearing house fell off approximately \$500,000 this year as compared with the 1920 total.

Two automobile bandits at Williamsport, N. J., bound and gagged Henry P. Fries and his wife, tied them to chairs, robbed the safe in their general store of about \$1,000 in cash and escaped.

President Obregon of Mexico ordered official honors for Dr. Cross, American physician who died at Vera Cruz of yellow fever. The president referred to Dr. Cross as a "martyr to science."

Senator King says work of the limitation armament conference is likely to make it a historical precedent for its "monumental failures rather than for its monumental achievements."

First chamber of the Dutch parliament unanimously passed a bill authorizing the negotiation of a loan of \$100,000,000 in the United States to be used in behalf of Dutch East Indies.

According to figures collected by Donald Wilson, general freight agent of the Long Island railroad, 31,000 houses were built in Long Island this year, not including Long Island City or Brooklyn.

Mrs. Annie U. Stillman, who is being sued for divorce by her husband, James A. Stillman, millionaire banker, left Canada on what she said was "the beginning of a fight for my life."

Pern in a new note to Chile proposes that the president of the United States act as final arbitrator of all differences between the two countries, no appeal being allowed from his decision.

A three-story wooden business building and several adjacent structures on Hancock street, near Quincy square, Quincy, Mass., were destroyed in a general alarm fire. The loss was estimated at \$200,000.

The coast guard cutter Seneca sent word to the Boston navy yard that she had reached the Quaker square, Quincy, Mass., short of fuel and food, and had supplied her with provisions.

Dr. Adolf Lorenz, Austrian surgeon, will soon have a license to practice in New York state, all obstacles having been removed by the state board of regents.

The area sown to winter wheat this fall is 44,232,000 acres, which is 12 per cent less than the revised estimated area sown in the fall of 1920, which was 44,847,000 acres.

A liberty party from the United States battleship Utah, stationed at Naples, Italy, attracted crowds at the grave of Italy's "Unknown Soldier" when they landed on the U. S. S. Utah.

Casper K. Cummings, proprietor of the Ruskie lodge in Madison, was sentenced to jail for 30 days by Judge Edwin S. Thomas in the United States district court at Hartford on a charge of violation of the national prohibition law.

Edward Woffendale, a former special police officer of New York, was arrested on an indictment warrant charging him with having accepted a bribe from Everett Marchand in connection with alleged illegal liquor traffic.

Many railroads of the country soon may insure their employees, it was indicated, after the Delaware and Hudson company announced it had taken out group life and permanent disability insurance for everyone who has been on its payroll six months or more.

Letters of administration on the estate of Ralph "Doc" Seybold, former American league baseball player, who was killed in an automobile accident near Ligonier, Pa., last week, have been granted to Albert H. Seybold. The estate is valued at \$35,000.

A defense set up by two owners of a saloon who were in court at New Haven under a liquor charge was that the fund seized was a mixture of creosote used experimentally for other purposes was a beverage. Fines of \$100 and \$150 were imposed.

ARE CONCLUDING EFFORTS TO CURB NAVAL ARMAMENTS

An Agreement Was Reached Yesterday For Limitation of Future Tonnage of Airplane Carriers—Details Are to be Worked Out by a Sub-Committee of Experts—More Definite Declarations on the Limitation of Submarines is Expected Before Final Adjournment of Arms Conference.

Washington, Dec. 30.—(By the A. P.)—The arms conference has virtually reached the end of its effort to put a curb on naval armaments.

To the capital ship settlement was added today an agreement for limitation of future tonnage in airplane carriers, and the naval committee adjourned indefinitely, leaving determination of various problems of detail to a sub-committee of experts.

Some sort of declaration with regard to use of the submarine, and an agreement not to construct any auxiliary vessels hereafter with a tonnage of more than 10,000 tons, are expected also to be added to the accomplishments of the conference before the adjournment.

A five power treaty embodying all the points on which there is agreement now is in process of drafting.

There are growing indications, too, that the four-power treaty to preserve peace in the Pacific, which already has been signed will be in some way further clarified before the conference quits.

The American delegation is understood to have withdrawn its objection to the Japanese proposal that the treaty's scope be defined as not including the major Japanese islands, and the plan for an exchange of clarifying notes or for amendment of the treaty text is expected to take definite form within a few days.

The Japanese request for a clarification of the treaty's terms is said to have been based largely on the development of a difference in view on the subject between President Harding and the American delegation. This development has been a topic of such widespread speculation in conference circles that the president took occasion today to characterize as "a silly" published report that Secretary Hughes was considering resignation from the cabinet as the result of differences arising between him and the White House during the arms negotiations.

What is to be done about the Far Eastern problems now becomes the unanswered question of the conference. Japan and China are deadlocked in their efforts to reach a settlement of the Shantung controversy and a consequence of the other Far Eastern discussions are at a standstill. It was indicated tonight that a meeting of the Far Eastern committee would be held in the near future, which China would attempt to transfer the Shantung negotiations into the full conference.

Meanwhile, senate discussion of the accomplished conference is in full swing, even though the senate is not in session. Today's contribution to the argument came from Senator Keadle, republican, New Jersey, who declared in a public statement that the Japanese demand for a revision of the 1911 treaty was "a direct challenge to the American position."

MORE THAN 100,000 ITEMS IN PERMANENT TARIFF BILL

Washington, Dec. 30.—Senate tariff makers plan to start next week the drafting of the so-called permanent tariff bill, passed by the house last spring. Their aim is to have the measure ready for the senate by early February next, because of the great task involved in passing on the more than 100,000 items in the bill, this hope may not be realized.

The first task before the finance committee is a decision as to the adoption of a straight out American valuation plan of assessment, or the substitution of a plan similar to that outlined by President Harding in his message to congress early this month. Most members of the committee apparently are in favor of the latter plan, which, it is believed, will have to be made if the measure is to be drawn in to afford real protection to American industry from the cheap products of foreign countries in Central Europe.

Heating on the tariff situation was closed today, though on January 9 representatives of the Southern Tariff Association will appear. Lumber and dairy products were the principal subjects discussed today.

In place of the proposed eight cents for the corresponding tax on other dairy products brought into this country, was urged by R. W. Balderson of Philadelphia, secretary of the Interstate Milk Producers' association, and A. M. Loomis, of Washington, who said he represented the National Dairy Union and the National Grange.

These witnesses charged that the Danes were making the United States "dumping ground" for their butter whenever they found the English market, their natural outlet, weakened. They contended that production costs in Denmark were much lower than those in the United States and in reply to questions, said butter was selling in this country now at about the pre-war level.

OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN PHILOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 30.—Professor P. G. Allison Brown, university was elected president of the American Philological Association at the closing session today of the organization's 53rd annual meeting. Other officers elected included: Vice-presidents, Professor E. V. Rieu, Harvard, and Professor Samuel E. Basset, University of Vermont; secretary, Professor Clarence P. Bill, Western Reserve.

The 54th annual meeting will be held at Yale University, New Haven, Conn., in 1922. Professor Ralph R. D. Magoffin of Johns Hopkins, was elected president of the Archaeological Institute of America, which met in conjunction with the Philological association.

POSSIBLE TO PREVENT A RIVER FROM FREEZING

Toronto, Dec. 30.—It is possible to prevent a river from freezing over by supplying a small amount of heat, the department of railways and canals at Washington is suggesting, after a conference at Washington to suggest practical ways of improvements for the severe agricultural depression which exists throughout the land. Present action was taken at the department of agriculture in response to the request, telegraphic invitations being dispatched immediately to a number of organizations and individuals whose attendance is desired at the gathering.

Secretary Wallace said tonight that the date of the conference had not yet been fixed nor a complete invitation list made up. It is expected, however, that the conference will be held within a month and that, in addition to farmers and their organizations, industries associated directly and indirectly with agriculture will be called in to assist in the efforts to improve conditions.

The president suggested that the conference might divide its work into two sections, one for consideration of our present day difficulties, which though temporary, are serious and need effective attention, while the second section deal with "a survey of the future in an effort to determine upon general policies."

MASKED ROBBERS GET \$3,000 PATROLL IN PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Six masked bandits held up the entire office force at the factory of R. T. Moorehouse Paper Company late today, shot and wounded Robert T. Moorehouse, head of the concern, and then fled in an automobile with the \$3,000 payroll of the plant.

Several cars were fired by the robbers when employees hesitated momentarily in obeying their command to hand over the payroll, but Mr. Moorehouse was taken only one gunshot wound.

He was shot through the chest as he reached in a desk for his own pistol, but was not seriously hurt.

BUSINESS MEN FLEEDED IN A GIANTIC DIRECTORY FRAUD

New York, Dec. 29.—A gigantic directory fraud, alleged by the district attorney's office to have fleeced thousands of business men in the United States, Canada and Mexico out of \$1,000,000 during the last 20 years, was charged today, when indictments against five New York defendants were made public.

The indictments, charging grand larceny in the second degree, named James J. White, John P. White, Michael White, William R. Orr and Arthur A. Brown. All were said to be wealthy.

The scheme, as outlined by Assistant District Attorney Hamilton, was for solicitors representing the defendants to use the names of the firm's members, the bill simply was paid, even though the firmers had no recollection of such a transaction.

Representatives of financial rating agencies and many big New York firms were among the business men who were deceived by the fraud.

One of the grand jurors, turning the leaves of one of the alleged fake directories, found his own name listed. The indicted men will be arraigned tomorrow.

RECORD CONTINUOUS FLIGHT IN HEAVIER-THAN-AIR MONOPLANE

Minneapolis, N. Y., Dec. 30.—(By The A. P.)—Flying without stop for 25 hours, 19 minutes and 35 seconds, part of the time in a snow storm, the remainder through rain and sleet, the oil pump of a new world record for continuous flight in a heavier-than-air machine, set a new record of 24 hours, 19 minutes, 7 seconds, was made by two Frenchmen at Etampes.

The Americans took off in a snow storm at Roosevelt Field yesterday morning just before five o'clock. Shortly after 11:17 o'clock this morning their all-steel ship, gliding in a brilliant sun, glided back to the snow blanketed earth, a few feet from where the start had been made.

A composite account of the flight given The Associated Press by Simson and Boreau follows:

"Our first four hours in the air yesterday were flown between 50 and 75 feet above the ground. The snow storm was so heavy that we could not go any higher, but we were able to keep our heads down and our eyes on the ground."

"A strong nor' wester followed the snow storm, and it was hard, bumpy flying all yesterday afternoon. From about 4 o'clock on, the weather was better, but the wind was still strong."

The kind was so stiff and the ship so heavy that when she slid off an even keel, we both had to grab the controls and use all our energy to get her back on the level."

"The visibility was almost perfect and the fumes down on the field, in the form of a lighted arrow pointing into the wind, helped us immensely."

"The motor ran beautifully and never missed a shot but the exhaust pipe, usually burning hot, felt barely warm to the touch."

"About midnight our fingers became numb but except for the cold, everything went well until shortly after two o'clock this morning, when the all-steel came so close to the ground that the pump and the pump could not force it into the lubricating system."

"While one of us steered, the other had to life our five gallon auxiliary oil tank into which we had punched holes to pour the gummy oil into the tank. It was so thick we could only pour about a quart at a time. It required great care to keep the oil from running out, there by burning out the bearings and destroying the motor."

"There was no rest for either of us from then on."

"At daybreak, when it seemed cold, the radiator shutters jammed, but we got around that by retarding the pump which kept the engine warm."

"It would have been great in balmy June weather, but never again in the winter time."

DEATHS FROM EXPOSURE AND SUFFOCATION IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 30.—Two deaths from exposure, a third from suffocation and a fourth from suffocation and exposure in a fire in the Metropolitan area within the last 24 hours were attributed by police and fire department tonight to the cold wave which had gripped the east.

An unidentified man was found dying of exposure in Pearl street today and an unidentified woman was found dead of the same cause in East 14th street.

Henry Mahres, apartment house superintendent at uttersberg, N. J., was suffocated when the building was fired by an overworked fire. The Jay Gould residence, on P. 10th Avenue, also required fire department activity when flames leaped up a chimney which had not recently been used.

Efforts to speed up heating apparatus also were said by fire officials to have caused a \$15,000 blaze at Broadway and 30th street, and four similar blazes in various parts of the city.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CASE BECOMES MORE COMPLICATED

Boston, Dec. 30.—Judge Crosby, of the supreme court, announced late today that unless the trustees of the Christian Science Publishing Society and the directors of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, agreed by next Tuesday upon a new trustee to succeed Leonard Rowland, whose removal by the directors was upheld by the court recently, he would appoint a temporary receiver for the society. The receiver, he said, would not necessarily be of the Christian Science faith, but would be a person in whom the court could repose confidence to manage the society wisely and for the best interest of the trust created by the late Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy.

U. S. MARINES GUILTY KILLING NICARAGUAN POLICEMEN

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 30.—(By The A. P.)—The American marines who have been on trial before a naval tribunal composed of officers from the United States cruiser Calhoun in connection with a clash here with the Nicaraguan police, have been found guilty of the slaying of three Nicaraguan policemen. The marines have been sentenced to ten years' imprisonment at hard labor.

THE NEW YEAR

The wave is breaking on the shore,
The echo fading from the chime;
Again the shadow moveth o'er
The dial-plate of time.

A seer-seen angel! waiting now
With weary feet on sea and shore,
Impatient for the last dread vow
That time shall be no more!

Once more across thy sleepless eye,
The semblance of a smile has passed;
The year departing leaves more nigh
Time's fearfulest and last.

Oh, in that dying year hath begun
The sum of all since time began;
The birth and death, the joy and pain
Of Nature and of Man.

—J. G. WHITTIER.

the attorney general reviewed the history of the case, quoting copiously from the speech delivered by Debs before the socialist convention at Chicago, O., in 1917, pointing out that the constitutionality of Debs' conviction was upheld by the supreme court and asserting that this was the second time Debs had "set up his theories of government against the government itself," referring to the so-called Pullman strike in 1914.

In dealing with pardon cases, he continued, the object to be accomplished by imprisonment, the protection of society, must be taken into account—vengeance should not enter into a case—and other reasonable punishment necessary for an example to others is accomplished, there is no justification for further imprisonment.

Considering Debs' age of 66 years, the attorney general asserted that the percentage of his life appropriated to the ten-year sentence was excessive.

Clemency in some degree was justified, Mr. Daugherty found, but he could not recommend a pardon, "as it would doubtless be misunderstood to be a justification or condonation of his acts." To require Debs to undergo his full sentence, he added, would present to many "only an example of extreme and unjustifiable severity," while too great leniency "would be resented by those who have stood loyally to the support of the government in its hour of greatest need."

EACH TRANSPORT BRINGS 800 SOLDIERS FROM THE RHINE

Washington, Dec. 30.—(By the A. P.)—The question of leaving a small representation of American soldiers indefinitely in Germany has not yet been decided. If any are left, it was added, the number would be small. American troops from the army on the Rhine are at present returning to the United States at the rate of about 800 for each transport which leaves.

The United States has not as yet received any money from Germany in payment of the costs of the occupation. Credits in favor of the United States, however, have been set aside by the German government covering the expenditures and the amount is said to be an obligation which the United States may expect to collect some time in the future.

STILLMAN DIVORCE HEARINGS IN CANADA TO BE PUBLIC

Montreal, Que., Dec. 30.—All testimony taken in Canada in the Stillman divorce case will be heard publicly, Eugene Godin, commissioner named to conduct the Canadian hearings, announced today.

Mrs. Annie U. Stillman, who arrived in Canada today and went to Quebec pending opening of the hearings on January 11, is prepared to produce a score or more of witnesses in an effort to disprove allegations of intimacy with Fred K. Beaulieu, Indian guide, who was named as co-respondent by James A. Stillman, New York banker.